

Town of Randolph

Town Board Meeting Minutes

Recorded on Office Laptop

July 12, 2023 @ 7:30 PM

Present: Mayor Sim Bell
Brandon Hatch
Clay Barker
Cullen Pace
April Groll (clerk)

Absent: Melanie Limb

Guests: Reganne Briggs
Russell Thomson
Dusty Dewall
Oakley Wilson & husband
McCall & Alex Stephens
Scott Ferguson

Sim started the meeting at 7:32 PM. Clay led us in the pledge of allegiance.

Russell Thomson was present to ask the town board and mayor what the plans were to fix the drain. There was a lot of water this year and it did a lot of damage. There used to be a drain under the canal that helped to drain our streets. Clay talked to Ellingford. They are looking for a 40-to-50-foot pipe that they will have to weld together. The pipe will need to go under the canal. Sim has also talked to Pat Barker about resolving the problem. Clay will follow up on this.

Oakley Wilson and her husband were here to talk about mosquito abatement. They went to the County Commission meeting last week and tried to get some help and she said that they didn't seem too interested in doing anything. She found out about a company called VDCI that could spray for us and help us apply for some funding to help with the cost. She has asked both Cokeville and Evanston what they do to get some ideas on what we can do. She is going to email us the information that she has collected.

Reganne Briggs is here on behalf of Rich County Extension. She is here to update us on the 4H barn. All the braces were cracking on the lean-to and it will need to come down and be

replaced. The County will be helping with the costs of this project. Sim also told Reganne that he is having our lawyer draw up an addendum relieving us of any liabilities.

McCall and Alex Stephens are present to find out what is going on with their business. Sim explained that he wants to do something that will work for everyone. McCall is upset that his neighbors have complained about his business but have not said anything to him. Sim told them that where they are in a residential area that they should not be having a full time saw mill in their backyard. We had a citizen point out to us that we have not been compliant with the zoning. McCall has started working up on Clay's property. He said that he would still have some equipment on his property but will do the majority of his work on Clay's property.

Dusty Dewall from Outlaw Wood Works is here to see what he needs to do to be annexed into the Town of Randolph and get water hooked up. They have bought the property on the east side of Thomson Logging. They are doing finishing work and finished projects. They have been approved by the county. Sim explained that we recently did do an annexation and we were told by the owners of that property that they did not want to be annexed into the town. Sim traded phone numbers with Dusty and he said that he will find out what we need to do for an annexation and get back to him. We may need to put out a survey to the neighbors to see if they oppose. They have a conditional use permit right now through the county.

Steve Talbot is present. He would like to know if it would be helpful to have a representative from the sanitation department present at our TB meetings. The board told him he is more than welcome to come. He also is present to talk about his water bill. He had a shut off notice put on his door 2 days ago. It stated that he either needed to pay his bill in full (\$238) or come to the Town Board meeting tonight and make a payment plan. He paid \$140.00 in cash. Sim and Clay both told him to keep in touch with us and if he can only pay \$10 a month that would be okay.

Scott Ferguson needs to get a float for our fire hydrant maintenance program. It is something that needs to be done yearly to measure the flow rate and a report done for the State. He has called around and it will be about \$750. Clay made a motion for Scott to order it. Brandon 2nd. All in favor. We also have a hydrant that needs to be fixed. Scott talked to someone about rebuilding it without having to dig it up. If we have money left from the grant, we will talk about getting a new lawn mower.

Next on the agenda is the bowery. They had to order more wood, so they are waiting on that.

Scott and the boys painted the inside of the restrooms and got the bases set for the street signs.

Clay wants Bill Cox to come into one of our meetings and try to help us get some money and/or loans to help with the roads. Scott said that Pond Street is pretty bad and needs to be done soon. Scott will call Derek tomorrow and see if he can bring us some cold mix. Sim talked to Cameron and he said that it would be closer to the fall before they can get the waterline done.

April asked if everyone had read the minutes and if they had any questions. Brandon made a motion to accept. Clay 2nd. All in favor. April read the bills. Clay made a motion to accept. Brandon 2nd. All in favor.

Brandon is wondering about pre-paying for fuel and storing it at J-Bar. He thinks that the gas price is going to go back up after elections. April will put it on next month's agenda.

The softball dinner went well. Brandon wants to put some language in the softball sign up next year about sportsmanship for the players and the parents. We had a few issues with parents getting upset this year and taking it out on the umps.

We have the application for the 2024 Tourism Grant. It is due September 1st. Sim wants to buy some property next to the fairgrounds and extend it. Some ideas are a warm up arena, a covered arena, more parking. The board will think about it and we will talk about it next month. We also need to see how much we will be paying for the bowery and see how much more money we have need to spend on the current Tourism Grant by November 1st. We still need to do some electrical work at the park and redo the fire pit.

Cullen came into the meeting.

Next on the agenda is the sidewalk grants. We received back estimates from Jones & Demille. April asked what the board would like Jones & Demille to do. Prices have gone up quite a bit since we received the grants. We have to have plans before we start and get them approved by the UDOT. Clay will talk to Derek Anderson about the one to the new subdivision. The Hunter Brothers also do sidewalks. Clay will have them look at it and see if they can give us an estimate. We can do some of the prep work to off-set the cost for us. These projects need to be done by 12/31/2024.

April asked if we are doing a Fun Run/Mosquito Dash during the fair. We are not sure if the County Fair Board is going to get someone to be in charge of it or if we need to. April will get ahold of Rocky Mountain Power to see if they will make a donation again. The board discussed possible people to ask if they can be in charge of it. Brandon will ask Joey if they have someone or if they would like us to ask someone. We will also do the pancake breakfast again.

Cullen thinks that any new business license needs to be read in 3 meetings. The public should be able to give their opinion on it. The other board members didn't know if we should make them wait for 3 months to obtain a business license. The board does think that there needs to be a notice put up for a certain time so that if citizens want to disapprove, they can.

Ken Brown came into the office last week and asked if the Town of Randolph could make a donation to The American Legion. The Town Board wants them to come to a meeting and talk to the board. April will let Ken know.

At 9:27 PM Brandon made a motion to close the meeting. Clay 2nd. All in favor.

John S. Sen
Signature of Mayor

April Lynn
Town Clerk

8-16-2023
Date approved